

REMARKS

Claims 3, 5, 7, 8, 10, 11, and 13 are pending in the application. Claims 1, 15 and 16 have been cancelled. No new matter has been added.

Claims 1 and 15-16 has been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as allegedly anticipated by Cremades et al.. Claims 1 and 15-16 have been canceled in this application without prejudice. Applicants are filing a Rule 53(b) continuation application to obtain entry of the April 6, 2004 amendments. It is believed that this rejection under 35 USC §102(b) in the present application is overcome.

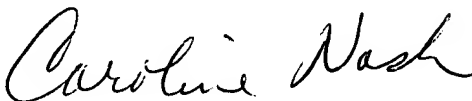
Claims 3 and 5 are objected to. Applicants do not know what the objection is. The previous office action dated January 9, 2004 indicated that claims 3 and 5 contain allowable subject matter and would be allowed if written in independent form. Claims 3 and 5 are independent claims, therefore Applicants believe that they are allowable given the previous comment of the Examiner.

Claims 7, 8, 10, 11 and 13 have been indicated by the Examiner to be allowed.

It is believed that this application is now in condition for allowance.

Reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

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